



# Primary Regulator

## San Diego Dive Club Newsletter

March 2013

[www.sandiegodiveclub.com](http://www.sandiegodiveclub.com)

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## Officer Nominations/Elections March Meeting

### President

Runs club member meetings, president's message in newsletter, runs planning meeting each year, runs officer's meetings once per month, sets up agenda for said meetings.

### Vice President

Takes care of membership on-line and at member club meetings, fills in for President should he/she not be available for all above meetings, reviews newsletter, keeps up club data base, collects payment for new/existing members.

### Secretary

Takes meeting minutes at officer's meeting, publishes to officers, records raffle prizes and sends to newsletter editor, counts votes at elections. Takes minutes of annual planning meeting, and confirms location/ date of Officers' meetings and planning meeting.

### Treasurer

Records payments for dive club, purchases raffle prizes, balances check book, produces financial statements or statements of account balances at officers meeting, sells raffle tickets.

### Newsletter Editor

Produces newsletter monthly online and on paper, responsible for officers to get information in timely.

### Historian

Keeps track of all club activities and records for future use. Keep copies of the newsletter, officer meeting minutes, copies of the insurance and other legal documents, collect flyer's regarding our events, collect pictures, cd's, video, etc. Bring the exhibit of pictures, and album of newsletters to monthly meeting.

### Dive Coordinator(s)

Sets up club dives, responsible for making sure dive master is present. Dive master-confirms all necessary waivers are available & completed by participants.

### Education & Speaker Coordinator

Sets up speakers for monthly dive club meeting. Schedules the speaker for the month; writes up a short synopsis of the upcoming presentation including a short 'bio' on the speaker or event, and sends it to the Newsletter Editor in a timely manner; introduces the speaker at the meeting.

### Equipment Coordinator

Brings projector/video player for dive club meetings, sets up and takes down.

### Publicity Representative

Contacts media for special dive club events, sets up advertisements for dive club events

### Community Representative(s)

Liaison to the Council of Divers. Attends Council meetings and reports important dive related information back to the club. Reports important club related issues to the Council.

## San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meeting

Have some ideas and suggestions on the direction the dive club should be heading? Come share those ideas with the club officers. All members are encouraged to participate in the San Diego Dive Club Officers' Meetings. The Officers' Meetings are held at 6:30 PM on the 3rd Thursday of each month at misc. locations. Please contact the SDDC President for monthly location.

The officers of the club try to anticipate the needs, desires, and best interests of the club, but remember that this is your club, too. We need your new thoughts and ideas to keep our club fun and exciting.



## Long Range Calendar

**Mar 30 Underwater Egg Hunt, Pancake Breakfast, and Annual Planning Meeting**  
**Apr 19-22 Two Harbors, Catalina, Rich Burns Co-or.**

## SDDC February Meeting

At the Feb. meeting, nominations were opened for SDDC Officers for the next year. Robin Luczak agreed to be nominated for the open position of Publicity Rep. Barbie Lass reported on the last SD Council of Divers meeting (see her article in this issue), and Dave Pierce mentioned a petition re: the length of the rope at the Children's Pool, to be found on facebook. See raffle info. below.

Our own Jackie Patay, (+1000 dives) shared her photos and videos from her trip to the Socorro Islands, in April, 2012, aboard the Solmar V. The area is a "bio-preserve," with no knives, gloves or night diving allowed. We enjoyed fabulous views and tales of Great Pacific Manta Rays, wanting to interact with humans, sharks, dolphins, and misc. humans and their behavior. She described the relatively luxurious accommodations and meals on the Solmar V, and the availability of a chamber at the navy base on the Socorro Island. Thank you, Jackie, for this very fun & informative presentation.

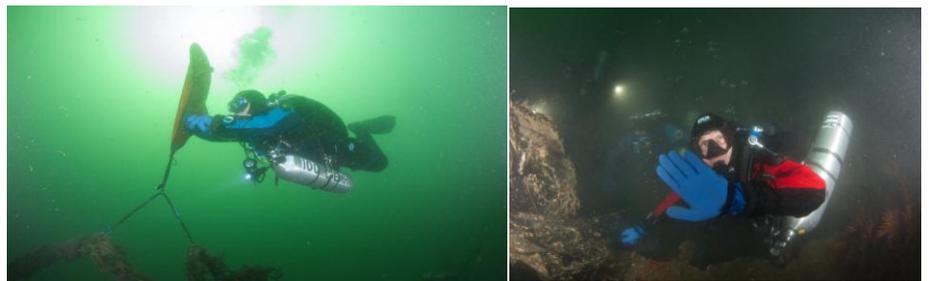


## March Meeting

**Thursday, March 7 7pm at Giovanni's**  
*Officer Nominations/Elections*

Removing Ghost Gear  
 Protecting Our Underwater Friends  
 Presented by Kurt Lieber

Kurt Lieber of [Ocean Defenders Alliance](#) will talk about protecting near-shore ocean ecosystems, such as rocky reefs and seabeds, from dangerous man-made objects and pollution. Commercial fishing operations generate a significant amount of "ghost gear" (lost and abandoned lobster traps, crab pots, nets, lines and ropes, etc.) each year. We will learn about removing abandoned fishing gear, so that our underwater friends don't have to die needlessly.

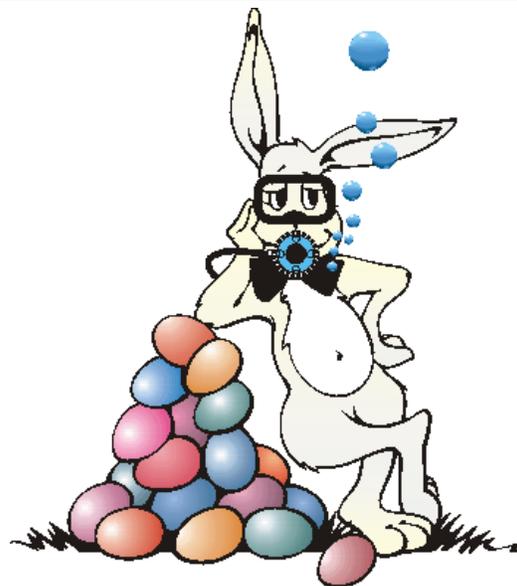


Courtesy of Jim Lieber

**Kurt Lieber has been doing ocean related volunteer work here in southern California since 1982. He is a hands on person who loves scuba diving and photography.**

**Kurt is the founder of Ocean Defenders Alliance (ODA). He is the Executive Director and serves on the Board of Directors as a Professional Engineer,**

<b>Winner</b>	<b>Prize</b>
Lara Scarberry	BC Knife
Lara Scarberry	Suit Juice
Randy Thomas	Water Bottle 2 Go
Steve Gardner	Aqua Seal
Steve Gardner	Princeton League LED Flashlight
Steve Gardner	Guide to SoCal Marine Protected Areas Book
Arturo Medrano	Save a Dive kit
Barbie Lass	Seal Line E-Case
Steve Fellett	Black Trident Backpack



Underwater Egg Hunt, Pancake  
Breakfast and Annual Planning  
Meeting

**March 30th**

### **Council of Divers Meeting Feb. 2013**

Reported by Barbie Lass, Community Rep.

The Council just learned of a San Diego County MPA Implementation Collaborative. They will investigate to learn more about this “invitation only” group and what their contribution will be to the MLPA.

The Council is looking into the legality of the Mayor’s support that lengthened the rope at the Children’s Pool 3 feet.

More information at the next San Diego Dive Club meeting in March.

### **Two Harbors, Catalina Island, April 19-22, 2013**

There are still a few spots available for the Two Harbors trip but they won’t be available too much longer. We will be departing Long Beach for Two Harbors at 9 AM on Friday morning and then returning Monday afternoon at 2:00PM.

The cost of the trip is \$180\* and includes round trip transportation between Long Beach and Two Harbors, 3 nights accommodations at Two Harbors camping cabins, breakfast on Saturday, Sunday and Monday mornings, and dinner on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights. Boat diving has been arranged for Saturday and costs \$90 for a 2 tank dive. If you would like a copy of the detail itineraries or to sign up for this trip contact Rich Burns by e-mail at [sddiver@cox.net](mailto:sddiver@cox.net) or by calling 619-701-6589. \*cost of trip is based on per person, double occupancy in the camping cabins.

**You must be a current club member to sign up. Not sure if your membership is current? To check go to:**  
[http://www.dive-club.org/admin/membership\\_status.asp](http://www.dive-club.org/admin/membership_status.asp)

## Photo of the Month Contest Guidelines

The rules for this contest, enforced by the honor system, include:

*The photographer and subject must be submersed in the same liquid at the same time the photo was taken*

*One picture per person per month*

*Display your picture as taken with your camera and lighting*

*Underwater pictures only (digital or film) taken since the last meeting*

*Cropping is OK, but please refrain from zooming in, and*

*No Software-based Enhancement before printing*

This is a friendly contest, featuring framed underwater photos displayed at the club meeting. Anyone in attendance can vote; the winning photographer receives 5 raffle tickets plus the fame and appreciation of the SDDC. Each month's winning picture may be displayed at the club meeting with the previous month's winner, and featured in the newsletter. Competitors, consider placing your photos onto portable media to provide to the Newsletter Editor in the event you win so the photo may be featured in the newsletter; or send as attachment to [editor@sandiegodiveclub.com](mailto:editor@sandiegodiveclub.com).

### DIVE CLUB MEETING

1st Thursday of each month @ 7:00 P.M.

at

*Giovanni's Italian Restaurant*

9353 Clairemont Mesa Blvd

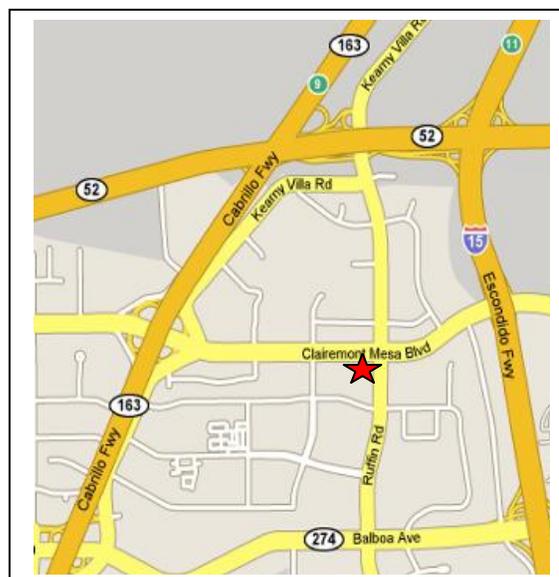
From 163 take Clairemont Mesa Blvd. East

From 15 take Clairemont Mesa Blvd. West

Giovanni's is on the South side of Clairemont Mesa  
on the West side of Ruffin

Monthly raffle drawings!

January, April, July and October are the club's quarterly meetings and we will have a grand raffle prize. The winning ticket is drawn from that evening's batch and from the previous two months. **ONLY CURRENT CLUB MEMBERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO WIN THE QUARTERLY PRIZE!!!**



### Dips, Tips and Trips

Please send descriptions of your favorite local dive spot, best dive tips or U/W photo tips, or brief reports or articles describing your last dive trip. Or? We'll select, edit, and publish them, as space allows. Please submit electronically by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to publication to:

[editor@sandiegodiveclub.com](mailto:editor@sandiegodiveclub.com).

### San Diego Dive Club Check Out These Benefits!!!

10% discount on non-sale dive gear & rentals, education classes, & boat charters at Sport Chalet.

10 free air fills and 10% discount on additional air at Sport Chalet.

Quarterly buddy lists & Monthly newsletter.

Meet new friends and dive buddies at monthly meetings & dives.

Group travel to exotic diving locations.

Ocean, lake, and beach cleanup events.

Special member only events.

Fantastic monthly and quarterly raffle prizes.